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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Hiroshi MATSUUCHI, et al.
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For: DIGITAL DEVICE, DATA INPUT-OUTPUT CONTROL METHOD, AND DATA INPUT-OUTPUT CONTROL SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of January 13, 2004 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect Group I (claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-13 and 15) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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